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DISTRICT DOINGS

Wappapello Lake . . .

On 16 March, Richard Hite, Asst. Park Manager, and Park Rangers Dick Conner and Dan Erickson were special guests on the KFVS-TV Perspectives program in Cape Girardeau. The 30 minute interview focused on the Corps of Engineers as an agency, and management programs at Wappapello Lake. Slides of the lake were used during the interview. The program was aired on 17 and 18 March.

Dick Connor, Park Ranger, and Roger Martin, Park Technician, were interviewed on the KLID Outdoor Sportsman Radio Program in Poplar Bluff. They talked about current activities at the lake and the upcoming recreation season.

KFVS-TV in Cape Girardeau has been airing a series of public service announcements about the Old Greenville Blackpowder Rendezvous planned for 14-15 April 1984. Dick Connor provided the script and slides for the announcement.

Jim Hill, Park Technician, spoke to 20 members of the Retired Teachers of Wayne County Association in Patterson, MO. Jim's topic was Spring Wildflowers at Wappapello Lake.

Lake Shelbyville . . .

Winston Campbell, Bill Gidcomb, Charlie Alday and Al Lookofsky attended the Lake Manager's Conference. A variety of topics were discussed which will benefit the evaluation and planning of the lake programs. The meeting was held on 6-8 March.

Maria Shafer and Beth Connors presented "Water: We Can't Live Without It," to 25 Girl Scouts at Beecher City. The scouts learned about the Corps of Engineers' role in protecting water resources and what they can do to conserve water in their homes.

Tom Bloor spoke to the Shelbyville Lion's Club about the Visitor Assistance Program at Lake Shelbyville. Fifty-five members of the organization were acquainted with the program and the role of the Park Ranger at the lake.

Rachel Garren presented three programs to 48 students at Stewardson-Strasburg High School. The students learned about the economic importance of snakes and the characteristics of local species.

Rend Lake . . .

National Wildlife Week at Rend Lake was quite a success. Over 800 students from local schools were in attendance to listen to Park Technician Mark Montgomery and Park Aids Matt McGowan and Joe Smothers present this year's program: "Water . . . we can't live without it." The highlight of the program was the 'Acid Rain vs. Fresh Water Taste Test.' The lemon-tainted water drew a few sour faces and lots of laughs from the audience.

Lock & Dam 26 (Replacement) . . .

CPT Pete Karnowski gave a briefing and tour for five visitors from the Illinois Division of Water Resources.

Bill Sutton and Jimmy Bissell gave a briefing and tour for Colonel Theuer, Cmdr. of CERL.

Bill Sutton, Jim Bissell and Farrell Burnett hosted a bus tour and presented a slide show for the Inland Rivers Ports and Terminals, Inc.

Bissell and Milton Walter hosted six visitors from the Cold Regions Research Lab.

The District Engineers from St. Paul and Rock Island and several members of their staffs were given tours and briefings.

Twenty visitors from Planning Associates were briefed by Jim Bissell and Farrell Burnett.

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April prepares her green traffic light and the world thinks Go.

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DISTRICT DOINGS (Continued)

Mark Twain Lake . . .

Park Ranger Marvin Morris told about recreation opportunities at Mark Twain Lake to 150 people from the Hannibal Calvary Baptist Church, to 55 members of the Paris Chamber of Commerce, and to 25 members of the Vandalia Lion's Club.

Park Aid Nina Walker presented a program for 350 members of the Becky Thatcher Girl Scout Council, and later presented a general orientation program for 350 students of the Palmyra Middle School.

Park Manager Dennis Foss spoke with 20 visitors from other Corps Districts about the project.

Park Technicians David Spriggs and Nancy Rogers staffed a booth at the Hannibal Boat Show which drew about 1,000 visitors.

Park Technician Jay Riley presented a program to 50 members of the 49'ers Club of Shelbina, MO.

Park Technician Clark Dietzschold presented a project update program to 50 members of the Forever Young Club in Hannibal.

Park Technician Cynthia Dierks presented "America" to 130 people attending a district meeting of the Great River Boy Scout Council.

Asst. Park Manager Marty Timmerwilke presented two programs for KHQA TV in Hannibal.

AROUND THE DISTRICT . . .

Colonel Gary D. Beech gave update briefings on L&D26(R) to the Con Trios Yacht Club and to the Navigation Conference at the Rodeway Inn. He also gave a District overview briefing to Colonel Paul J. Theuer, Commander of the Construction Engineering Research Laboratory, Champaign.

On March 26th Colonel Beech hosted a public meeting in Pacific, Missouri, about flood reduction measures in that area. He met with local citizens in Carlyle about a land erosion problem, and then went to Wright Patterson Air Force Base and told the S.A.M.E. Ohio Valley Regional Conference all about Computer Aided Drafting.

George Clapp gave a talk and slide show to the East Side Riverman's Club in Wood River. He spoke about ice and its effect on navigation.

Ed Middleton gave a review of the drafting system to Colonel Theuer.

Gary Dyhouse traveled to Davis, California, to give two lectures at an Interior Flood Hydrology training course held by the Corps' Hydrologic Engineering Center.

Twenty-two University of Illinois students in Agricultural Economics visited Lock & Dam 26 where Jim Fogilphol gave them a tour and briefing.

HERE AND THERE

Wappapello Lake . . .

On Sat. 3, March, Dan Erickson, Park Ranger, and Park Technicians, Gary Stilts, Roger Martin, Tim Engbring, along with 27 volunteers, bundled and placed approximately 1200 used Christmas trees in the lake to serve as fish shelters. These trees provide cover for small fish and attract larger fish in search of food.

KFVS-TV (Cape Girardeau) covered the event and reported it on the evening news.

Volunteers provided boats and trucks to transport the trees. Volunteers included Puxico Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts, Wappapello Bass Masters fishing club members, and staff from the Sundowner, Chaonia and Holliday Landing Marinas.

The Wappapello Lake staff has signed up two more volunteers. Helen Stanley and Charles Wells of Wappapello have made commendable commitments with the lake. Helen will be doing clerical work two days a week and serve as office receptionist one day per weekend during the recreation season. Charles has volunteered to work with the lake's maintenance crew three days per week. Welcome Helen and Charles!

Lake Shelbyville . . .

The installation of exhibits for the Lake Shelbyville Visitor Center has been completed by Visual Communications Inc. of Holmes, PA. The exhibits help to explain the role of the Corps of Engineers in the Kaskaskia River Valley by depicting the many management practices performed at the lake. The Visitor Center will open to the public on weekends on 31 March and everyone is invited to attend.

The Shelby County Chapter of the American Red Cross raised a record \$4,020 in its 6th annual radio/TV auction on March 19, 20, 21. Lake Shelbyville manager Winston Campbell organized the auction in 1978 and has been chairman of the event each year. Funds from the auction account for approximately one-third of the Chapter's operating budget.

Rend Lake . . .

The staff at Rend Lake has been keeping its eye on the North Marcum beach area. Since the latter part of January, North Marcum beach has been gradually sinking and the beach road buckling due to mining subsidence. The area has sunk up to 4 feet in some areas and has forced a temporary closing of the beach area and bath house this spring.

A Chain Saw Safety presentation was part of a bi-weekly safety meeting on Monday, 26 March. Representatives from McCulloch Corporation showed films, slides, and gave demonstrations of maintenance, cutting procedures, and safety features on chain saws. Twenty-four employees were in attendance and will receive certificates of completion from McCulloch Corporation.

HERE AND THERE (Continued)

Mark Twain Lake . . .

Over 100 emergency services personnel from area hospitals, ambulance districts, and law enforcement agencies attended a Corps' sponsored Emergency Services meeting at the M.W. Boudreaux Visitor Center. Information regarding Corps management policies on emergency services was discussed.

A three-hour Chainsaw Maintenance and Safety Program was presented at the maintenance shop to the general public.

A law enforcement meeting, sponsored by the lake management office, was conducted at the M.W. Boudreaux Visitor Center. Members from the Missouri State Highway Patrol, Departments of Conservation and Natural Resources, the FBI, and local law enforcement agencies attended.

Carlyle Lake . . .

Carlyle Lake has established a volunteer program to help with staffing the Visitor Center, the wildlife program, photography, and other activities around the lake. Four people have volunteered to assist the program.

Commercial fishing is down about 300,000 pounds from last year's catch. Twenty-five crews opened the season, but only 14 crews persisted throughout the season. Bill Fritz, State Fisheries Biologist attributes the decline to cool weather, plus fluctuating water levels, and low water turbidity. Carp and buffalo comprised 98% of the 131,853 pounds of fish caught.

The new exhibits and displays are now installed in the Carlyle Lake Visitor Center and ready for the summer season. Many features of the lake, Dam, wildlife, and recreation available at Carlyle Lake are demonstrated in diaramas, maps, and colorful lighted photos. A model of the main dam and spillway will enable the visitor to see how the dam is constructed and operated.

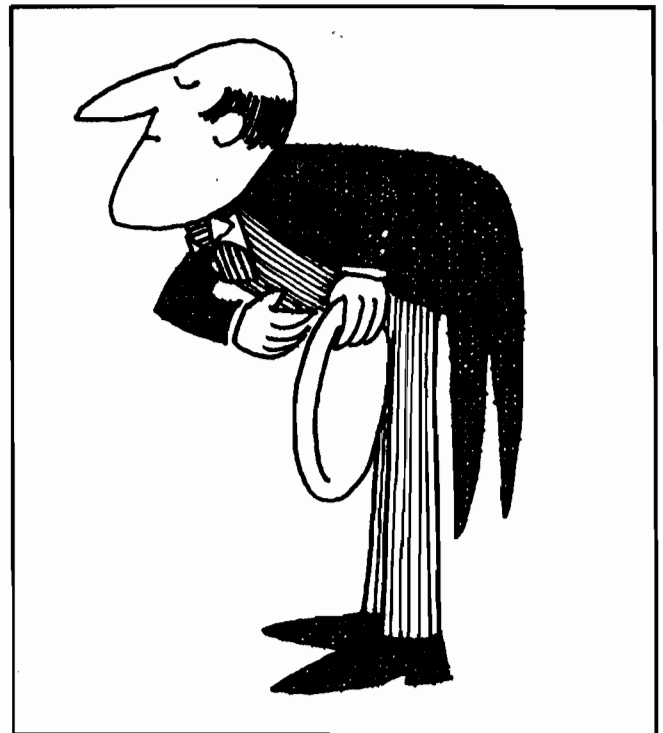
John Mistletoe

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*"You know how it is with an April day
When the sun is out and the wind is still,
You're one month on in the middle of May.
But if you so much as dare to speak,
A cloud comes over the sunlit arch,
A wind comes off a frozen peak,
And you're two months back in the middle of March."*

Robert Frost (1874-1963)
"Two Tramps in Mud Time"

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INCENTIVE AWARDS

PROMOTIONS:

Warren L. Jones, AC-S,
Mathematician, GS-1520-9

Roy Parks, ED-DA,
Structural Engineer, GS-810-9

James R. Soehngen, ED-DA,
Civil Engineering Technician, GS-802-6

Harold L. Schweiger, RO-L,
Construction Inspector, GS-809-4

Kenneth J. Wingrove, RO-L,
Construction Inspector, GS-809-4

James Burns, RO-L,
Construction Inspector, GS-809-4

Robert M. Barton, OD-PB,
Machinist, WG-3414-8

Sharon Mitchell, SD-P,
Purchasing Agent, GS-1105-5

Larry Garrison, ED-SM,
Civil Engineering Technician, GS-802-4

Hugh T. Campbell, OD-PV,
Auto Equip Repair Insp, WG-5823-9

James L. Fox, OD-RW,
Maintenance Worker Leader, WL-4749-7

David Busse, ED-R,
Civil Engineer, GS-810-11

Stephen Farkas, ED-DM,
Mechanical Engineer, GS-830-9

INCENTIVE AWARDS (Continued)

EXCEPTIONAL PERFORMANCE RATINGS:

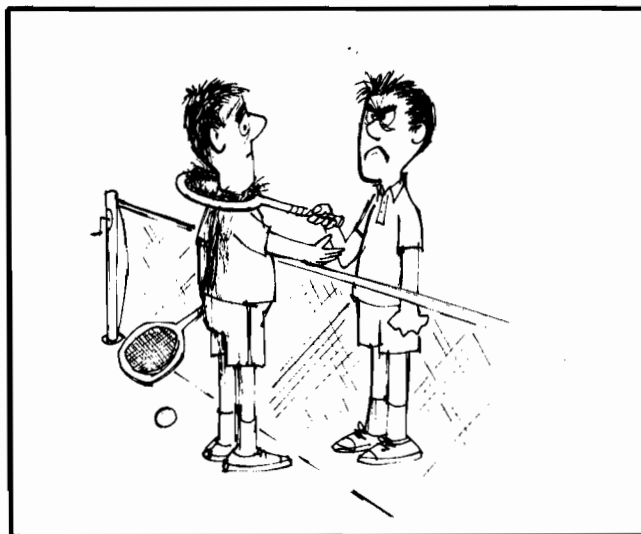
Dixie Pickett, PO-R
Linda Wichlan, ED-F
Elton Heston, ED-DS
Walter Fredley, RO-L
Elizabeth Browning, ED-FI
Janet Kester, OD-NL
Bernard Hawickhorst, PD
Isaiah E. Mitchell, DC-F
Carol I. Huelsmann, CD
Gary M. Jones, ED-DM
George A. Zraggen, AS-RD
Irene L. Smugala, CD
Roger J. Hoell, ED-DA
Martha A. Behrens, OD-RJ
Clifford A. Mahin, ED-DW
Richard L. Siemons, ED-DW
James E. Worts, ED-DA
Janet A. Eversgerd, BC
Craig Donis, RE
Joan Schmidt, PO-S
Roy Bowen, OD-RR
Milton Walter, RO-L
Arlyn McCormick, RO-L
Dolores Ebert, AS-W
Edward Pelc, ED-HW
John Jobst, AC-S
Edna Herdman, DC-F
David Spencer, ED-DA
Wilford Myers, OD-NC

SUSTAINED SUPERIOR PERFORMANCE AWARDS:

Dixie Pickett, PO-R
Linda Wichlan, ED-F
Elton Heston, ED-DS
Walter Fredley, RO-L
Elizabeth Browning, ED-FI
Eugene Jones, OD-RW
William W. Jones, RO-L
Mary Winston, RE-A
James LaRue, ED-FM
Kenneth Koller, ED-Z
Janet Kester, OD-NL
Jerry Stroud, OD-NL
Vernon Oettle, OD-NL
Charles Grojean, PO-U
Donald Chrismore, CD-CC
Richard Grieshaber, OD-NL

QUALITY STEP INCREASE:

Dolores Ebert, AS-W



TANGIBLE SUGGESTIONS:

Betty Sneed of the Estimates Section, Design Branch, Engineering Division, was granted a suggestion award for recommending the Computer Program "Sum File" that the Design Branch has with WES, ADP Service Center be deleted and implemented in the Estimates Section Computer.

SPECIAL ACT/SERVICE AWARDS:

A Special Act Award was shared by 11 employees for their outstanding efforts in developing a comprehensive plan that is expected to result in substantial savings to the Government. This plan included a construction plan and CPM for the lock at Lock and Dam No. 26 (Replacement).

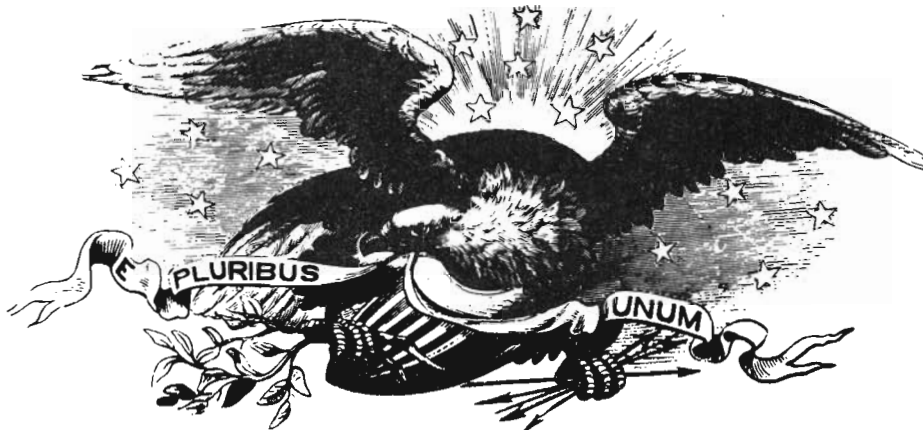
Roger Hoell — Chairman
James Mills
Robert Rapp
Billy Arthur
Edward Demsky

Joseph Schwenk — Certificate only
Michael Rector
Kenneth Koller — Certificate only
Ronald Rauh
Gerald McClintock
Thomas Wolff

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A Special Service Award was shared by Tim Engbring and Danny Erickson of the Wappapello Lake Management Office, Operations Division, for their participation in the planning and successful execution of the first significant series of timber sales at Wappapello Lake.

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Mr. Daniel Flowers, Equal Employment Opportunity Counselor, received a Special Act Award for his leadership, guidance, and support in the achievement of the goal established for the Equal Employment Opportunity.

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James Hill Park Technician in the Recreation-Resources Management Branch, Operations Division, was presented with a Special Act Award as coordinator for procurement of the exhibits and displays for the Carlyle Lake, Lake Shelbyville, and Mark Twain Lake, Visitor Centers.



Federal Employees

Know the Rules On Political Activity

You may register and vote as you choose

You may assist in voter registration drives

You may express your opinion about candidates and issues

You may participate in campaigns where none of the candidates represent a political party

You may contribute money to a political organization or attend a political fundraising function

You may wear or display political badges, buttons, or stickers

You may attend political rallies and meetings

You may join a political club or party

You may sign nominating petitions

You may campaign for or against referendum questions, constitutional amendments, municipal ordinances, etc.

You may not campaign for partisan candidates or political parties

You may not work to register voters for one party only

You may not make campaign speeches or engage in other activity to elect a partisan candidate

You may not be a candidate or work in a campaign if any candidate represents a national or State political party

You may not collect contributions or sell tickets to political fundraising functions

You may not distribute campaign material in a partisan election

You may not organize or manage political rallies or meetings

You may not hold office in a political club or party

You may not circulate nominating petitions

You may not campaign for or against a candidate or slate of candidates in a partisan election

Caution: An employee's conduct is also subject to the regulations of his or her agency.

For additional information contact:

The Office of the Special Counsel
Washington, D.C. 20419

THE ARMY FLIES

The Army has more than 8,500 aircraft and needs twice as many Aviators as the country's largest airline. What Army aviation offers graduates is a chance to learn one of the most sophisticated and exciting skills anywhere. What it takes to qualify is aptitude, patience, a desire to learn, the ability to keep cool, and a strong sense of leadership. For those who make it, aviation promises an exciting and rewarding career.

To keep the Army flying, there's also a great need for well-trained Ground Support. Army aviation training spans careers from Air Traffic Control to all phases of Aircraft Maintenance and repair. Army Air Traffic Control training is recognized by the Federal Aviation Administration and, in fact, all Army aviation careers have direct application in the civilian job market.

Open to both men and women, Army aviation offers a range of excellent career opportunities.

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3RD ANNUAL WOMEN'S HISTORY WEEK

The St. Louis District's Annual Women's History Week Observance presented Patricia Ball in her one woman show featuring "moments" of historical importance in the growth of the roles of women in American history. This delightful program with its refreshing emphasis was presented to approximately 50 employees.

Lt. Colonel Paul P. Chapman was presented with a walnut clock in honor of his continuing support for our FWP program. We will sorely miss Colonel Chapman and his advice and support.

Our special thanks to Colonel Beech, Pete Puricelli, Barbara Collier, Sandy Sandlin and the Corps Choir for their generous donation of time and talent to our Women's History Week celebration.

Karon Miller Marzec
Federal Women's Program Manager
on behalf of the
Federal Women's Program Committee

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The Government is now considering taxing churches, probably wants to get its share of the almighty dollar.

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SPRING TOURNAMENT

The annual Spring Golf Tournament for current and retired ST. LOUIS DISTRICT employees will be held at the Tamarack Course, O'Fallon, Illinois, on 24 April. As usual, the format will be a two-golfer scramble and is open to non-league as well as league members. Prizes will be awarded in three flights.

The Spring Tournament is held one week before the first night of league play and serves as the primer for all District golfers. So drop those snow shovels and grab your golf clubs, let's celebrate surviving another midwestern winter at Tamarack. Contact your league captain or Rob Davinroy, Ext. 5858, by 17 April.

Golf Quote: "You are only as good as you think you are."

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BOB MACDONALD FUND

Many thanks are in order to those who donated money to the Bob MacDonald Fund. Mac, a former Corps employee of the Soils Section, was very seriously injured by an uninsured motorist on 11 October 1983. The St. Louis District collected over \$1,200 in donations in just three short weeks to help pay for medical and living expenses. All proceeds were sent to Townsend, Mass., and presented to him at a dinner dance in his honor on 9 March 1984. Additional donations can be made by contacting Mel Baldus (x-5529) or Dennis Woodruff (x-5849).

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The Technical Services Branch of the Consolidated Personnel Office has moved to Room 946. The telephone number was not changed.



PLANTING TREES A NATIONAL TRADITION

Arbor Day was first celebrated in Nebraska in 1872. J. Sterling Morton, a journalist from Detroit, moved to Nebraska in 1854. At the time Nebraska was a treeless plain, and Morton and his fellow pioneers missed the beauty and benefits of trees. After gathering and planting many species of trees on his own land, Morton encouraged other Nebraska settlers to do the same. In 1872, Morton's campaign for conservation tree planting was taken before Nebraska's board of Agriculture who set aside April 10 for a state tree planting day called Arbor Day. National Arbor Day is now celebrated on the last Friday in April. During the month of April select a site and plant an American tradition.

WHAT DO WE PLANT WHEN WE PLANT THE TREE?

What do we plant when we plant the tree?
We plant the ship which will cross the sea,
We plant the mast to carry the sails,
We plant the planks to withstand the gales —
The keel, the keelson, the beam and knee —
We plant the ship when we plant the tree.

What do we plant when we plant the tree?
We plant the houses for you and me.
We plant the rafters, the shingles, the floors,
We plant the studding, the lath, the doors,
The beams and siding, all parts that be,
We plant the house when we plant the tree.

What do we plant when we plant the tree?
A thousand things that we daily see.
We plant the spire that out-towers the crag,
We plant the staff for our country's flag,
We plant the shade from the hot sun free:
We plant all these when we plant the tree.

— Henry Abbey

1500 SOULS ASLEEP IN THE DEEP

"Today marks the 72nd anniversary of the tragic sinking of the British luxury liner RMS Titanic after striking an iceberg in position 4046 N 5014 W. We take pause to remember the more than 1500 lives lost. May they rest in peace."

This is the annual message sent out on April 15th by the International Ice Patrol, a branch of the United States Coast Guard, in its daily report to ships moving through the trans-Atlantic shipping lanes.

The Titanic, while on its maiden voyage from Southampton, England, to New York, struck an iceberg about 95 miles south of the Grand Banks of Newfoundland shortly before midnight, 14 April 1912.

At that time the Titanic was the largest and most luxurious ship afloat. With its double-bottomed hull and sixteen watertight compartments, it was considered unsinkable. However, the iceberg ripped a 300-foot hole in the ship's right side that ruptured five of its watertight compartments. The Titanic went down at 0220, 15 April, with a loss of 1,513 lives, one of the greatest maritime disasters of all time.

As a result of the disaster, international rules were drawn up requiring lifeboat spaces for every person aboard a ship (the Titanic had 1,178 lifeboat spaces for 2,224 persons aboard); that lifeboat drills be held during each sea voyage; and that ships maintain a 24-hour radio watch.

The International Ice Patrol also was established to warn ships of icebergs in North Atlantic shipping lanes.

(Armed Forces Press Service)

DID YOU KNOW

The Bureau of Labor Statistics recent report on the expanded role of women in the nation's workforce between 1972 and 1982 revealed the following trends:

- Women in 1982 made up 35.4 percent of the number of college and university professors.
- The number of doctors and dentists during this period rose from 9.3 percent to 14.6 percent.
- Among lawyers and judges, the percentage of women rose from 4 percent to 15.5 percent.
- In managerial positions, women moved from 17.6 percent to 28 percent.
- Women in 1982 made up 43.6 percent of some 103 million Americans at work, compared to 38 percent of all jobs in 1972.
- Women also moved from 16.8 percent of computer specialists to 28.5 percent in that growing field.
- Among police officers, the percentage of women rose from 2.6 percent to 6.7 percent.
- Earnings for women continued to lag well behind those of some 55 million working men as full-time employed women in 1983 had average weekly earnings of \$260, compared to \$393 for men.

However, this figure which represents an average of 66¢ per women to \$1.00 for men is significantly improved over the 1979 ratio of 58¢: \$1.00 and the young professional women's group who have basically qualified for their job related educational training are earning 72¢: \$1.00.

- The report also found that while women still dominate certain professional groups these percentages are slowly falling.
- Women held 98.5 percent of the pre-school and kindergarten teaching jobs and continued to occupy the vast majority of teaching positions in public education.
- The percentage of nurses (RN) moved down only slightly, from 97.6 percent to 95.6 percent.
- Women made up 99.1 percent of the nation's approximately 4 million secretaries in 1982, compared to 99.2 percent a decade earlier.

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EEO CORNERSTONE

The EEO Office welcomes Patricia Bauccio, ED-P; Ricky Godfrey, OD-PI (SB); Margaret Robbins, ED-H; and Nancy Rogers, OD-RJ, as new EEO Counselors. We also extend a fond farewell to outgoing counselors, Sharon Hornback, ED-SM; Ivan Berry, OD-PB (SB); and Tom Bloor, OD-RS. The time and dedication they willingly gave in serving as EEO Counselors is deeply appreciated and we wish them much success in their future endeavors.

The St. Louis Metro Chapter of Blacks in Government (BIG) sponsored a Black History Month Program on Tuesday, 20 March 1984, at the Federal Center, 4300 Goodfellow Blvd. The main event was an Essay Contest on the theme "Black Americans in the Struggle for Excellence in Education." Stay-in-School Students throughout the seventeen agencies containing Metro BIG Members were invited to submit essays from which the top ten were selected to orally present their essays before a panel of five. The purpose of the contest was to encourage young people to research the contributions of Black Americans and express them creatively. Award recipients were Alesia Hogan, First Place (\$100 scholarship), Jerome Williams and Lisa Johnson, Second Place (\$75 scholarships), and Steve Richardson, Third Place (\$50 scholarship). Congratulations to the winners. Incidentally, Lisa is employed in the SLD EEO Office.

Metro and Federal BIG will host their Second Annual Regional Conference, 7-9 June 1984, at the St. Louis Airport Marriott. The conference theme is "Progress Through Achievement." Keynote Speakers are Frankie Freeman, Attorney, and Paula Smith, Director, Missouri Department of Labor and Industrial Relations. Other Guest Speakers are Jonell Calloway, Investigator, USACARA; James Waddell, Pres., NFFE Local 405; Linda Buck Fields, Acct. Exec., Merrill Lynch Pierce Fenner & Smith; William Irvin, Regional Director, OPM; Dr. Jerome Jones, Supt. St. Louis Public Schools; Dr. Jim Redwine, TROSCOM EEO Mgr.; Evelyn Baker, Judge, 22nd Judicial Circuit Court of Missouri; Patricia McKissock and Thomasina Hassler, Motivation Communication Consulting Inc.; and Tom Jenkins, Natl. Pres. BIG. Also featured on the program will be a panel discussion by Shirley Ballentine, St. Louis Area Mgr., OPM; William Duffe, Director of Personnel, City of St. Louis; and Joyce Brown, Recruiting Officer, Missouri Dept. of Social Security. Mark your calendars and plan to attend this interesting and informative conference in June.

SECURITY

Sometime ago the Security Office placed an article on Human Relations in the Information Bulletin. The Security Office feels the words are just as important today as when originally written. Here is the article as it originally appeared.

HUMAN RELATIONS

Notice a new employee in the hallways? Have you stopped to say hello, introduce yourself and welcome him/her to the District? Have you asked if you can be of help or assistance? Remember when you first started to work in the District, how a friendly word and handshake helped melt away your fears, and you knew you had chosen a good organization for which to work. Do your part by making an effort to make new employees welcome. Remember, friendliness brings togetherness which, in turn, fosters communication. When we communicate, we better understand each other, and with understanding, we work better to produce pride in and loyalty to the organization for which we work: the St. Louis District, a people's organization, where people are its most important asset.

How you treat other persons is how you feel about yourself.

SOMETHING FOR NOTHING

There are few of us, who at some time in life have not been tempted to take something that does not belong to us in what looks like an easy way to make a few bucks. You have weighed the odds and it looks like a million to one in your favor. How about a calculator? The Government has so many they don't know what to do with them. Travel —that is a good one. There are so many on TDY, there is no way they are going to do much checking on a little padding of meals, or staying with a friend, and putting down you stayed at a motel (you managed to get a couple of blank receipts the last time you stayed there). Padding that taxi bill is another easy one; nobody knows there were five of you in the taxi. Using a Government vehicle for your own personal use is another easy one. You take a Government vehicle home for the weekend because you are leaving on TDY Monday. There is no reason you should use your own car over the weekend. You are a careful driver and listen to all that stuff the Safety Officer puts out, so you are not likely to have an accident. How about those extra miles you put on the vehicle? No way! Your supervisor is too busy, and the Vehicle Dispatch Office has enough trouble figuring how many vehicles they have. Using that Government Gasoline Credit Card looks like 100% fool proof. With all those sales slips coming in how are they ever going to catch a few odds and ends for your personal car? Getting a little gasoline doesn't look too hard.

Looks pretty easy doesn't it? **Don't count on it.** What looks like an easy way to get something for nothing may prove to be the most foolish mistake you ever made. The smart person will weigh the scales on what is to be gained against what is to be lost if he/she gets caught. Don't be a sucker and violate the trust and responsibility placed in you by the District.

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FAREWELL AND BEST WISHES

To LTC Paul Chapman who left the District on 28 March.

Many of LTC Chapman's friends, and co-workers bid him farewell at a retirement celebration held at the St. Louis Area Support Center, Granite City.

COL Chapman has accepted a position in Los Alamos, New Mexico. We all wish him the best of luck and much happiness in his new career.



FOR SALE

1980 Datsun 310, GX Package, White/Red Trim, 4-Speed, Front Wheel Drive, AC, 40,000 Miles, \$3,800 — Call 638-6576.

1981 Honda 750K Motorcycle, Honda-Line Fairing, Case Guards, Grab-On Grips, Vista Cruise Control, Saddle Tote Soft Bags, Very Clean, Maroon, 31,000 Miles, \$1,800 — Call 638-6576.

ACCIDENT SUMMARY

MARCH 1984

VEHICLE ACCIDENTS FOR MARCH 1984: None

Total vehicle accidents for CY 1984: One

Total vehicle accidents for CY 1983: Two

PERSONAL INJURIES – CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEES – MARCH 1984: Two

Total accidents for CY 1984: Two

Total accidents for CY 1983: Twelve

A carpenter helper slipped and fell on ice while carrying lumber at Lock and Dam 26(R).

A laborer on a dredge slipped and fell while walking on a section of shore pipe.

PERSONAL INJURIES – GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES – MARCH 1984: One

Total accidents for CY 1984: Two

Total accidents for CY 1983: Eighteen

A Lock and Dam employee suffered lower back injury while pushing and pulling on an electric scooter.

LAKE FATALITIES FOR MARCH 1984: None

Total lake fatalities for CY 1984: None

Total lake fatalities for CY 1983: Three

Carlyle Lake — 2

Lake Wappapello — 1



WHO WEARS SAFETY BELTS?

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration has claimed in the past that its surveys showed occupants of small cars are twice as likely to wear safety belts as occupants of large cars. NHTSA has explained this by saying those in small cars feel they are at greater risk.

But a recent study conducted by the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety says belt use is not necessarily tied to car size, and that virtually all of the differences in belt use can be explained by higher use in imported cars, and by geographic differences in belt use among owners of American-made cars.

Owners of small foreign cars are twice as likely to wear belts as owners of small domestic cars, the study showed. And among those who drive foreign cars, the highest rate of use is found not in the smallest models, but in the largest.

Also, drivers on the West Coast are more likely to wear belts than drivers in other regions. The regional difference is sharpest among those who drive American-made cars.

Researchers noted that even on the West Coast, a majority of all occupants ride unrestrained. But if the underlying attitudes that cause higher belt use among drivers in the West were understood, researchers say, they might suggest ways to increase voluntary use among all drivers.

